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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT:

Supplemental Information for RR 15L-03 – McConnell Senate

Committee (C00193342)

Please see the attached memo filed by McConnell Senate Committee on April 15, 2015, wherein the Committee discloses the name of the outside vendor responsible for diverting committee funds referenced in RAD Referral 15L-03 as Stonewood Marketing owned by Ken Pate (Attachment 1).

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The receipt disclosed on line 15 from the US Treasury is a partial repayment of funds diverted from the Committee by an outside vendor, Stonewood Marketing, owner Ken Pate. Please see the attached list of contributors whose contributions were reported to the Committee as having been diverted.

The Committee follows the three-fold process of best efforts required to meet the Commission standards.

Every solicitation includes a clear and conspicuous request for contributor information and informs the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information.

If the information is not initially received, within 30 days of receipt, the contributor receives a request to provide this information. Any follow up request clearly asks for the missing information and does NOT contain a solicitation for a new contribution. These requests are generally made by phone and email and by letter. This request restates the requirements of federal law for requesting and reporting of such information. If the request is sent by mail, it includes a pre-addressed return envelope. If the information is received by the Committee, it is updated and the affected report will be amended to reflect the new information or the Committee will submit the new information via miscellaneous filing.

Please note that the 48 hour notice filed to disclose 1,800,000 from Senator Mitch McConnell on 10/22/14 is disclosed on this filing as a contribution of 1,550,000 and a loan of 250,000, all from personal funds.